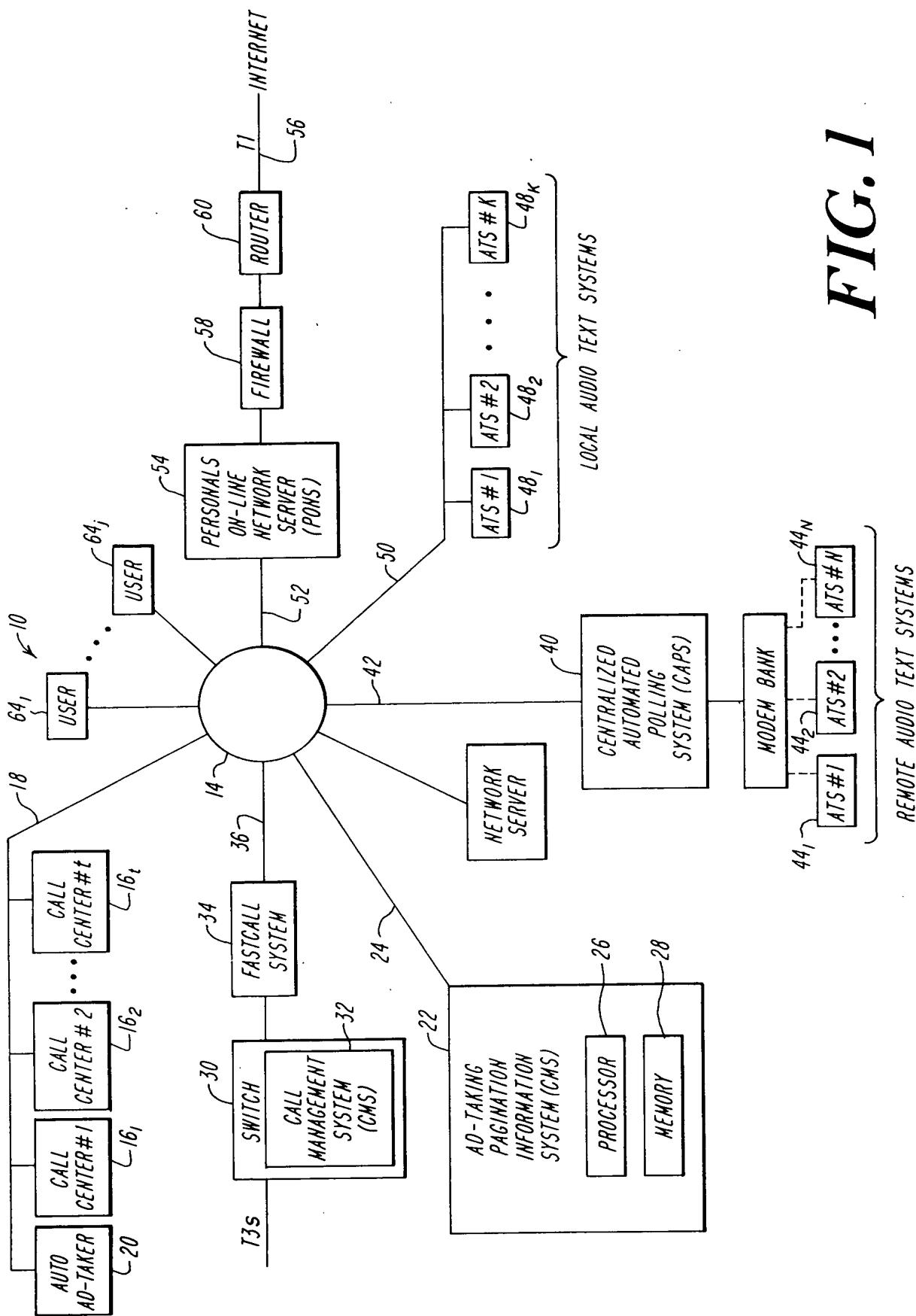


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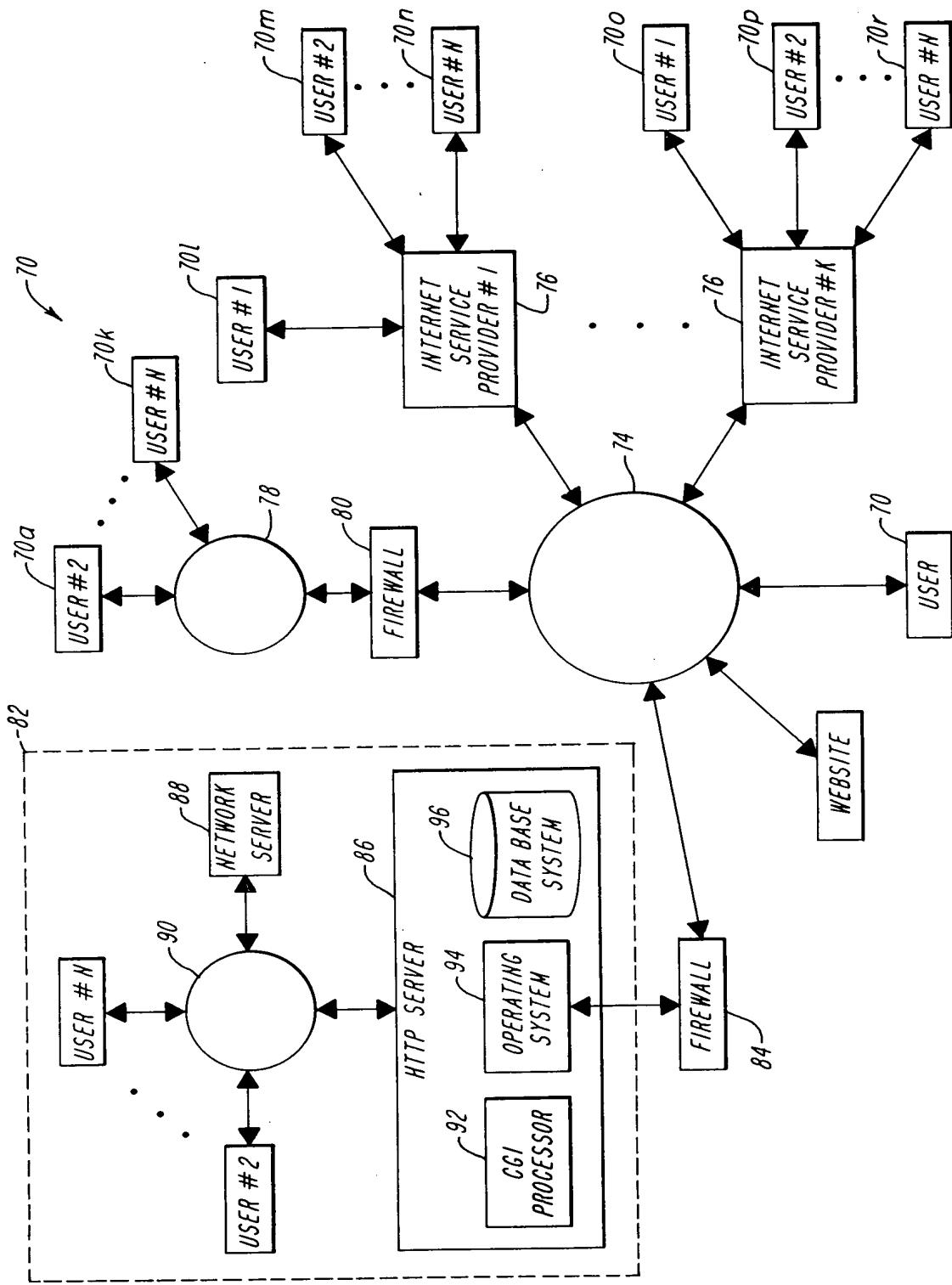
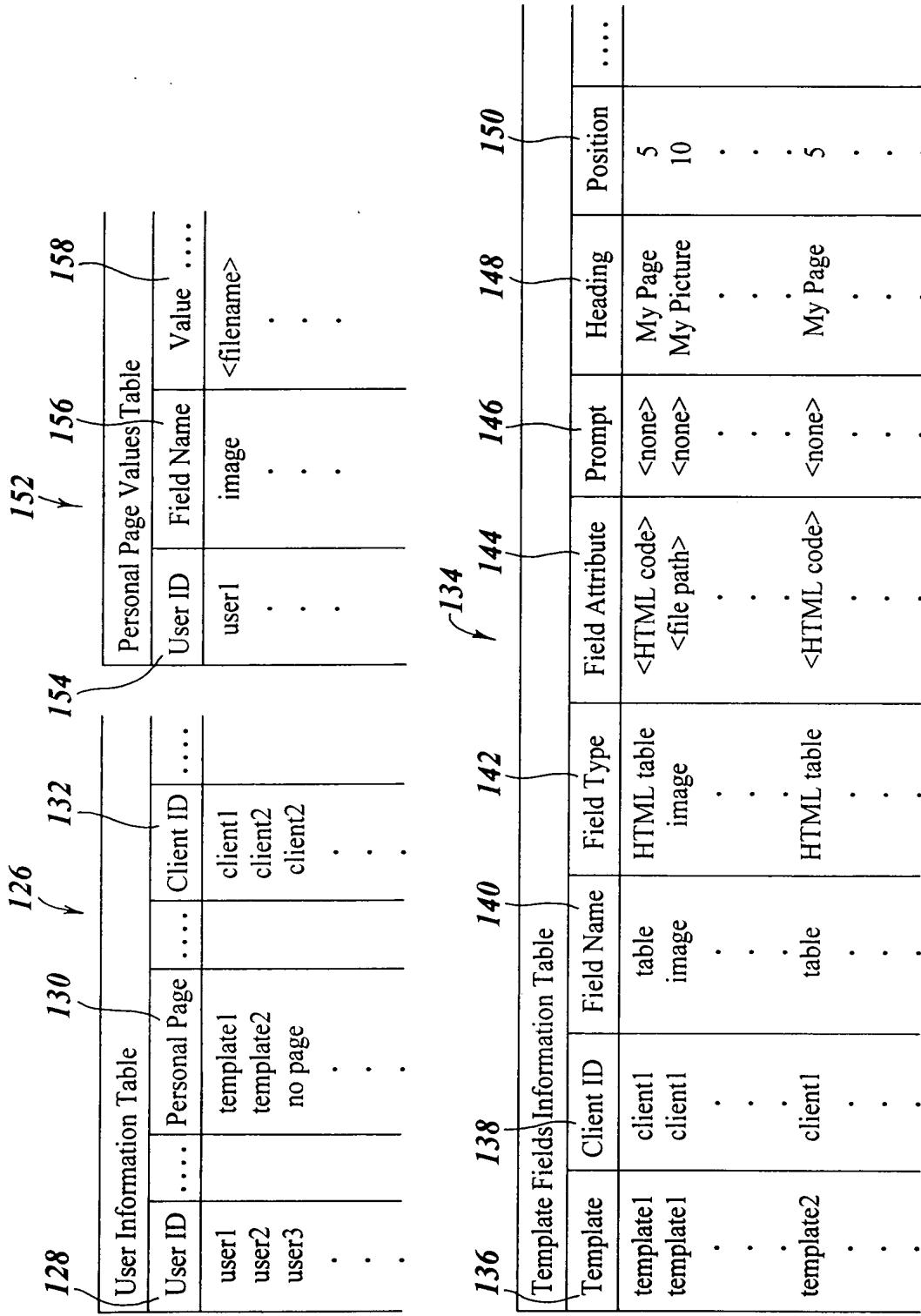
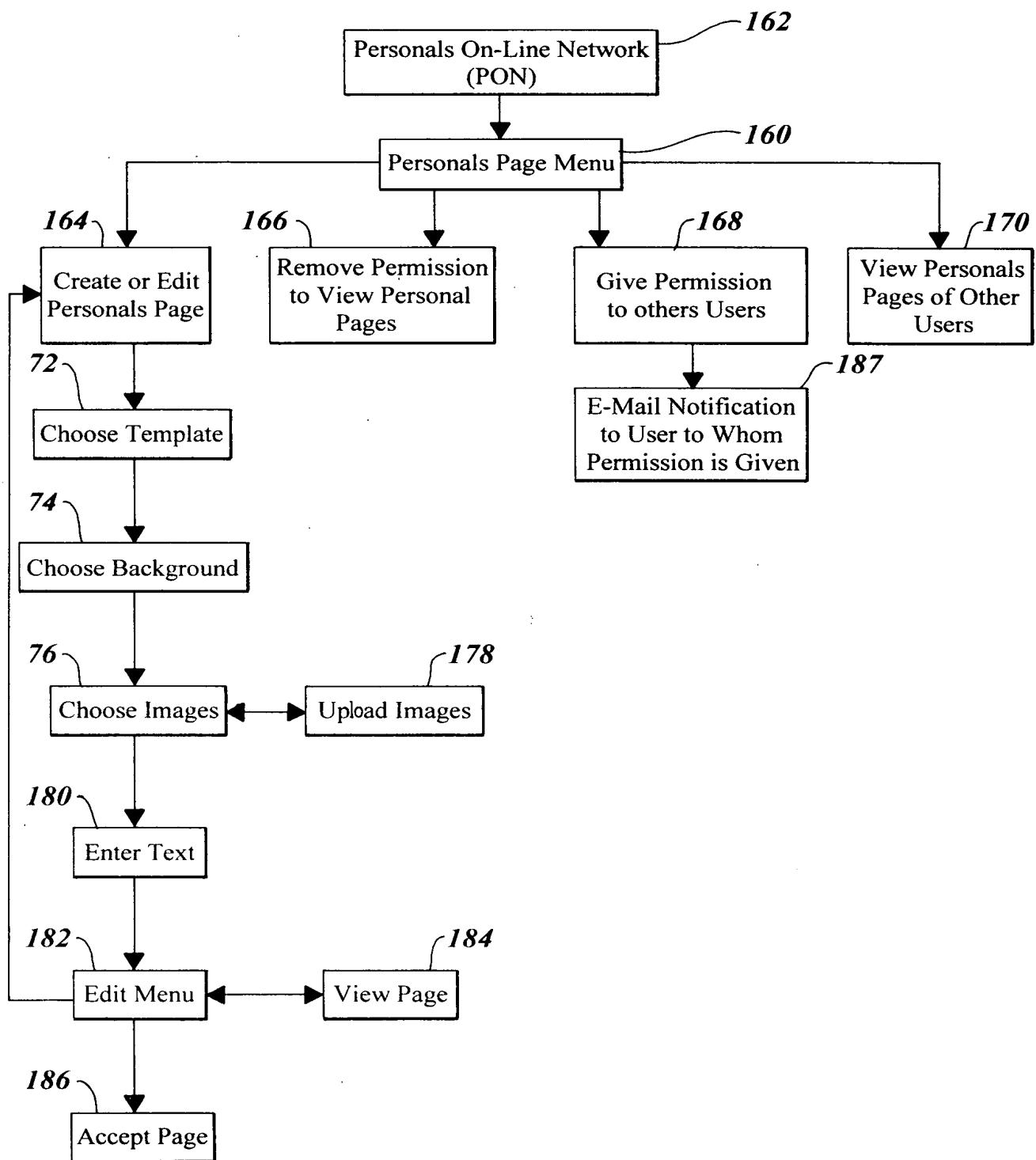


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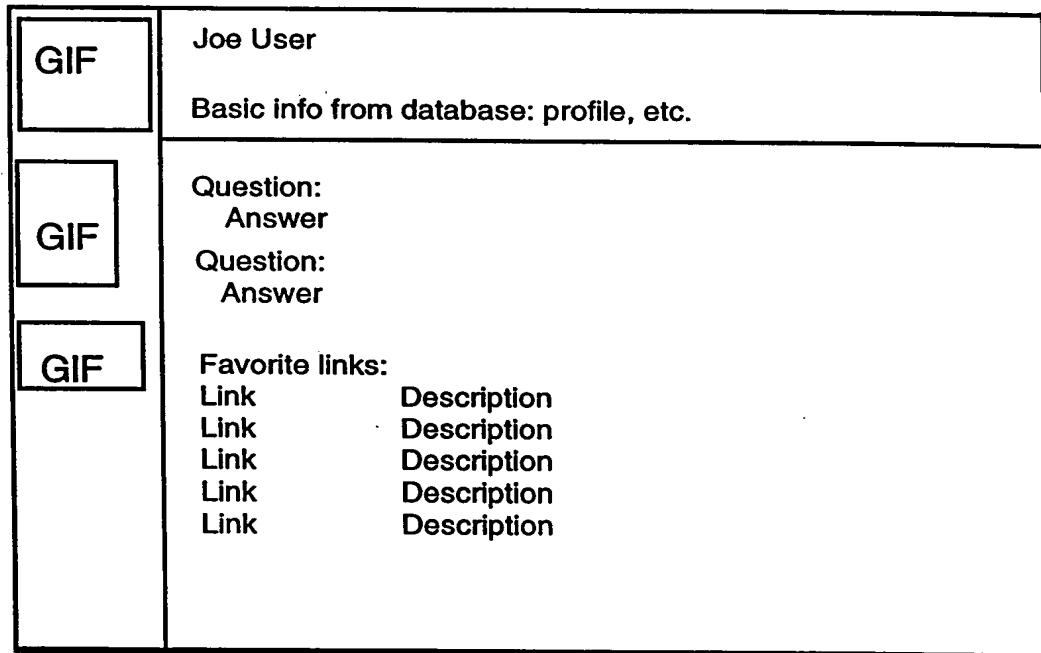


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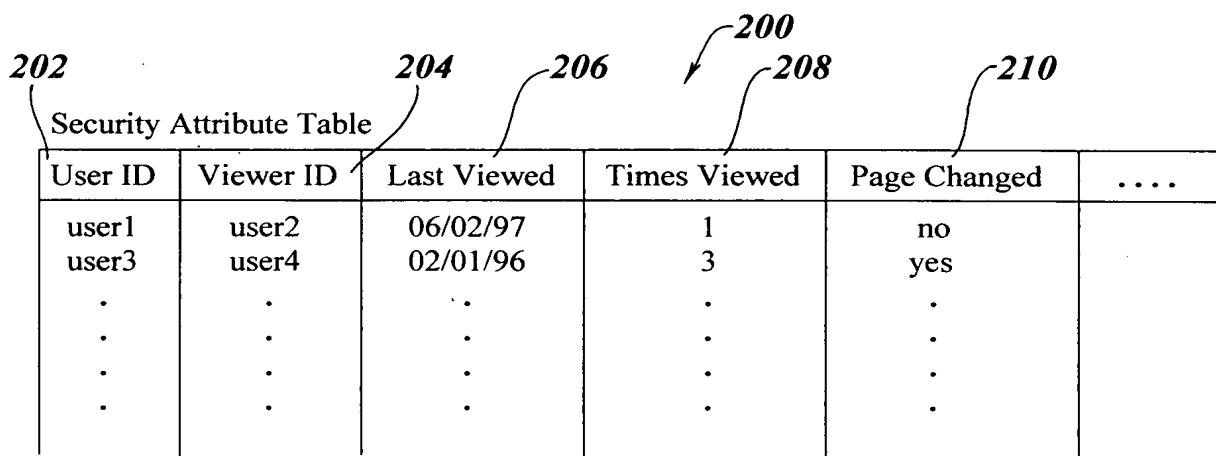


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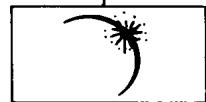
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Do you consider yourself to be a spiritual person?

Absolutely. Spirit is the essence of the mind, and the mind is the most exciting thing in the universe. I can't help feeling connected to something uniquely wonderful when I look through my telescope

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If you watch television, what are your favorite programs?

As a science-fiction writer, I do enjoy that kind of show. Twilight Zone still ranks as the best, but DS9, X-files and B5 are worth being addicted to. And I can't miss Seinfeld or Mystery.

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Who are your heroes?

Arthur C. Clark is one. At once a great writer and a great environmentalist. Another is Thomas Becket (at least the movie version played by Richard Burton). I like the idea of someone changing their entire life because they had discovered a higher set of principles than they'd known before.

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Do you talk to yourself when you are alone?

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Sure, who doesn't. But I'd rather be talking to someone more interesting.

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I work on a small town newspaper by day and write science fiction at night. I've done one Star Trek novel and gotten about a dozen short stories published. My dog Tiberius has appeared in three of them – and they used a picture of him to do the cover on one of the magazines. That made him so proud that he ate half the magazine! I don't much exercise as I should, besides running after Tiberius in the park, but I'm not totally out of shape.

What else can I say? The truth is, I've never been really good at writing romantic scenes; in my novel, Jim Kirk spent most of the time in solitary in an Andorian prison. So, I'm kind of at a loss for what to say here. But, I hope that I can find someone who can, among other things, improve the way I write about romance.

FIG. 6

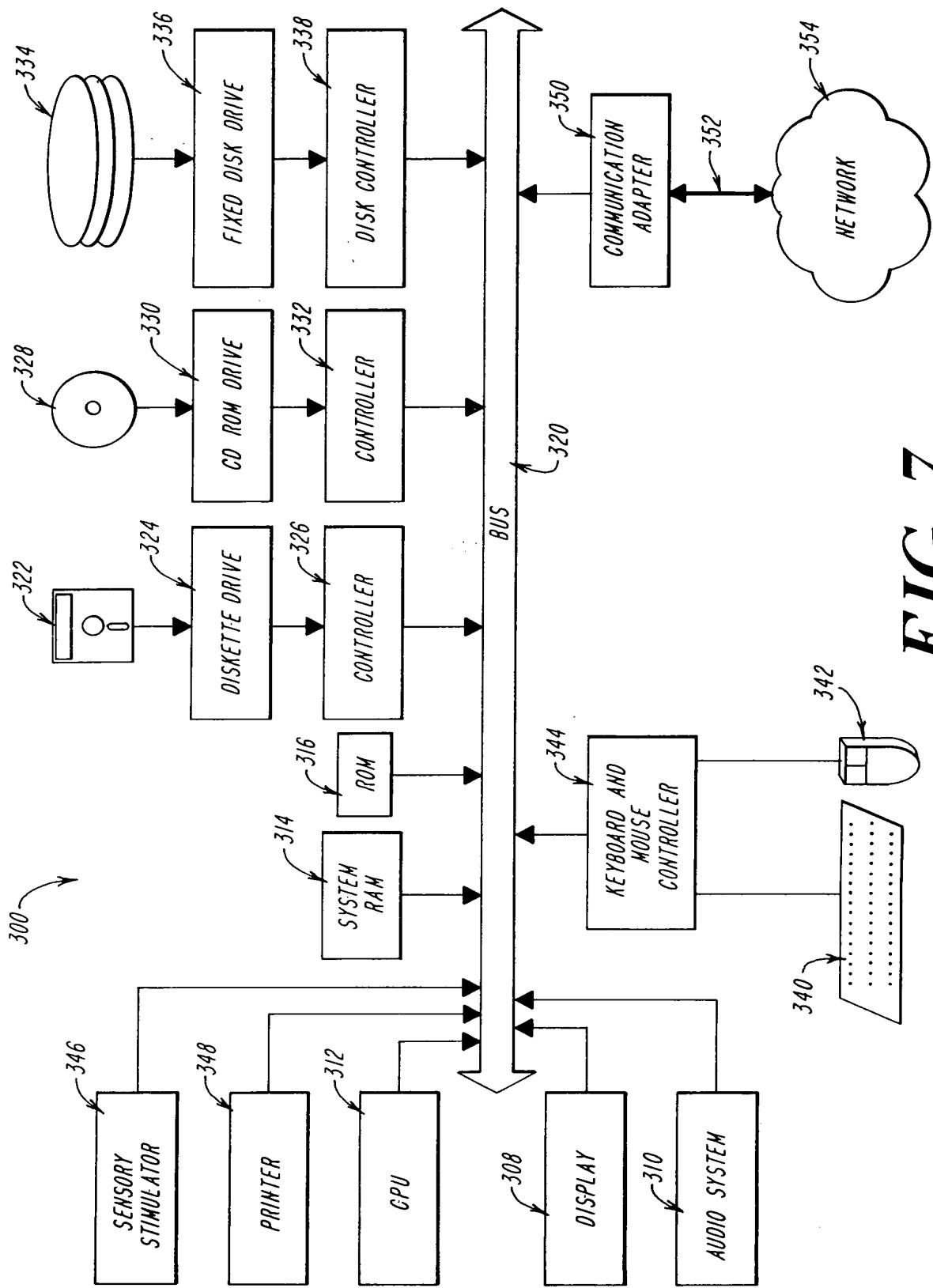


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